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SUBJECT: PUERTO RICO

DURING OCTOBER 23 CALL ON MAHMUT BAKAKI, PRESIDENT OF KOSOVO
LCY AND ONE OF ABLEST YOUNGER PARTY LEADERS IN YUGOSLAVIA,
I BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF PUERTO RICO DURING DISCUSSION OF NON-
ALIGNMENT, I NOTED THAT US-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS WERE CYCLICAL,
THAT THEY WENT UP AND DOWN FOR VARIETY OF REASONS. WHILE
BAKAKI AT FIRST CLAIMED US RESPONSIBLE FOR CYCLES AS NON-
ALIGNMENT A CONSTANT FACTOR IN YUGOSLAV POLICY, HE EVENTUALLY
ADMITTED YUGOSLAVIA SOMETIMES AS FAULT AND SPECIFICALLY
STATED PUERTO RICO WAS CASE IN WHICH YUGOSLAVS THEMSELVES
WERE CAUSE OF FRICTION. HE ASSERTED HE WELL AWARE THAT
SO-CALLED PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT CONSISTED OF
A SMALL MINORITY OF DISSIDENTS WHOSE VIEWS CONFLICTED WITH
VAST MAJORITY OF PUERTO RICANS. AND HE CLAIMED TO HAVE TAKEN
THIS POSITION ON A COMMITTEE THAT DECIDED YUGOSLAVIA SHOULD
OPPOSE PUERTO RICAN RESOLUTION ADVANCED AT LIMA.
HE IMPLIED WE HADN'T RAISED ENOUGH HELL
ABOUT THE 1973 RESOLUTION.
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